WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Response to the Scheme of I.T.D.C. for Providing subsidised meals to rural Guests

*5. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 44 given in the Rajya Sabha on 15th July, 1991 and state:

(a) what has been the response to the fifty per cent discount scheme for rural folk in Delhi's Five Star hotels announced by the then Deputy Prime Minister on the last Republic Day and how many people availed of this facility as at the end of July 1991;

(b) whether Government are considering abandoning the scheme; and

(c) what has been the response to the chaupal the ethnic Indian village recreated in Ashok Hotel at New Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement

(a) I.T.D.C. has the following 5-Star hotels in Delhi:

(1) Ashok Hotel
(2) Hotel Samrat
(3) Qutub Hotel

Till the end of July, 1991, 33 rural guests in total including 20 in Ashok Hotel, New Delhi have availed of this scheme.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) 4726 guests patronised the Chaupal Restaurant in Ashok Hotel, New Delhi during the period of its operation from 25-1-1991 to 9-6-1991 when it was closed for summer/monsoon.

Vacant Posts in National Airports Authority

*6. SHRI MD. SALIM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of posts lying vacant with National Airports Authority categorywise and regionwise;

(b) whether some cases of absorption of employees by NAAI are still pending;

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) by when Government are going to clear those cases?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement

(a) There are at present 63 vacancies in the National Airports Authority (20 in Aerodrome discipline, 20 in Communication discipline and 23 in Fire and Safety Services). These vacancies are on All India basis and as such are not related to specific regions.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The absorption of a few employees could not take place due to disciplinary proceedings pending against them.

(d) Clearance of pending cases depends on the finalisation of disciplinary proceedings pending against them and results thereof.

New Oil and Gas Policy

*7. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry has called for a new oil and gas policy